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INFO AMEMBASSY DAKAR PRIORITY

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SUBJECT: US DELEGATION TO 15TH ANNIVERSARY OF MAURITANIAN
INDEPENDENCE

REF: A. STATE 274862 B. NOUAKCHOTT 2398

1. DAKAR/NOUAKCHOTT FLIGHT ON NOVEMBER 25 CONFIRMED.
NOUAKCHOTT/DAKAR FLIGHT ON NOVEMBER 29 IS FULLY BOOKED.
AIR MAURITANIA OFFICE NOUAKCHOTT INFORMS US KHOURY AND
CAMBELL ARE ON STANDYBY. NEXT SCHEDULED COMMERCIAL
FLIGHT BETWEEN NOUAKCHOTT AND DAKAR IS ON EVENING OF
DECEMBER 1.

2. IF TICKETS FOR NOVEMBER 29 FLIGHT FAIL TO MATERIALIZE,
FOLLOWING ARE OPTIONS FOR RETURN TO DAKAR: (A) EMBASSY
CAR AND DRIVER CAN TAKE CAMBELL AND KHOURY TO DAKAR
ON SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 30. IT IS APPROXIMATELY EIGHT
HOUR, UNEVENTFUL DRIVE. (B) EMBASSY CAN TRY TO GET
RESERVATIONS ON COMMERCIAL FLIGHT DEPARTING MONDAY
EVENING, DECEMBER 1. (C) EMBASSY CAN CHARTER
SMALL PLANE IN NOUAKCHOTT OR REQUEST EMBASSY
DAKAR TO MAKE CHARTER ARRANGEMENTS AT DAKAR END.
FLYING TIME BY SMALL PLANE IS SLIGHTLY OVER ONE HOUR.
COST IS HIGH, PARTICULARLY IF CHARTER ARRANGED IN
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NOUAKCHOTT. LOCAL FIRMS CHARGE ABOUT \$350 PER HOUR

AND REQUIRE PAYMENT FOR EMPTY RETURN TRIP.
AS RESULT OF LARGE EXODUS OF PEOPLE FROM NOUAKCHOTT
DURING THIS PERIOD, CHARTER SERVICES MAY BE DOING
LAND OFFICE BUSINESS. WE HAVE NOT YET BEEN ABLE,
HOWEVER, TO DETERMINE IF TWO LOCAL CHARTER FIRMS
ARE ORGANIZING ANY KIND OF SPEICAL SERVICE DURING
THIS TIME.

3. PLEASE ADVISE PREFERRED MEANS OF TRAVEL TO DAKAR.HANDYSIDE

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